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**Guide**  
**to the**  
**American Recovery &**  
**Reinvestment Act**  
**(Economic Stimulus)**



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### SUMMARY OF KEY TAX PROVISIONS

#### TAX RELIEF FOR INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES

**“Making Work Pay” Tax Credit.** The bill would cut taxes for more than 95% of working families in the United States. For 2009 and 2010, the bill would provide a refundable tax credit of up to \$400 for working individuals and \$800 for working families. This tax credit would be calculated at a rate of 6.2% of earned income, and would phase out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$75,000 (\$150,000 for married couples filing jointly). Taxpayers can receive this benefit through a reduction in the amount of income tax that is withheld from their paychecks, or through claiming the credit on their tax returns. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$116.2 billion over 10 years.*

**Increase in Earned Income Tax Credit.** The bill would temporarily increase the earned income tax credit for working families with three or more children. Under current law, working families with two or more children currently qualify for an earned income tax credit equal to 40% of the family’s first \$12,570 of earned income. This credit is subject to a phase-out for working families with adjusted gross income in excess of \$16,420 (\$19,540 for married couples filing jointly). The bill would increase the earned income tax credit to 45% of the family’s first \$12,570 of earned income for families with three or more children and would increase the beginning point of the phase-out range for all married couples filing a joint return (regardless of the number of children) by \$1,880. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$4.7 billion over 10 years.*

**“American Opportunity” Education Tax Credit.** The bill would provide financial assistance for individuals seeking a college education. For 2009 and 2010, the bill would provide taxpayers with a new “American Opportunity” tax credit of up to \$2,500 of the cost of tuition and related expenses paid during the taxable year. Under this new tax credit, taxpayers will receive a tax credit based on 100% of the first \$2,000 of tuition and related expenses (including books) paid during the taxable year and 25% of the next \$2,000 of tuition and related expenses paid during the taxable year. Forty percent of the credit would be refundable. This tax credit will be subject to a phase-out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$80,000 (\$160,000 for married couples filing jointly). *This proposal is estimated to cost \$13.9 billion over 10 years.*

**Computers as Qualified Education Expenses in 529 Education Plans.** Section 529 Education Plans are tax-advantaged savings plans that cover all qualified education expenses, including: tuition, room & board, mandatory fees and books. The bill provides that computers and computer technology qualify as qualified education expenses. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$6 million over 10 years.*

**Sales Tax Deduction for Vehicle Purchases.** The bill provides all taxpayers with a deduction for State and local sales and excise taxes paid on the purchase of new cars, light trucks, recreational vehicles, and motorcycles through 2009. This deduction is subject to a phase-out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$125,000 (\$250,000 in the case of a joint return). *This proposal is estimated to cost \$1.684 billion over 10 years.*

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**Refundable First-time Home Buyer Credit.** Last year, Congress provided taxpayers with a refundable tax credit that was equivalent to an interest-free loan equal to 10 percent of the purchase of a home (up to \$7,500) by first-time home buyers. The provision applies to homes purchased on or after April 9, 2008 and before July 1, 2009. Taxpayers receiving this tax credit are currently required to repay any amount received under this provision back to the government over 15 years in equal installments, or, if earlier, when the home is sold. The credit phases out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$75,000 (\$150,000 in the case of a joint return). The bill eliminates the repayment obligation for taxpayers that purchase homes after January 1, 2009, increases the maximum value of the credit to \$8,000, and removes the prohibition on financing by mortgage revenue bonds, and extends the availability of the credit for homes purchased before December 1, 2009.

**Extension of AMT relief for 2009.** The bill would provide more than 26 million families with tax relief in 2009 by extending AMT relief for nonrefundable personal credits and increasing the AMT exemption amount by \$70,950 for joint filers and \$46,700 for individuals. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$69.8 billion over 10 years.*

### **TAX INCENTIVES FOR BUSINESSES**

**Extension of Bonus Depreciation.** Businesses are allowed to recover the cost of capital expenditures over time according to a depreciation schedule. Last year, Congress temporarily allowed businesses to recover the costs of capital expenditures made in 2008 faster than the ordinary depreciation schedule would allow by permitting these businesses to immediately write-off 50% of the cost of depreciable property (e.g., equipment, tractors, wind turbines, solar panels, and computers) acquired in 2008 for use in the United States. The bill would extend this temporary benefit for capital expenditures incurred in 2009. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$5.1 billion over 10 years.*

**Election to Accelerate Recognition of Historic AMT/R&D Credits.** Last year, Congress temporarily allowed businesses to accelerate the recognition of a portion of their historic AMT or research and development (R&D) credits in lieu of bonus depreciation. The amount that taxpayers may accelerate is calculated based on the amount that each taxpayer invests in property that would otherwise qualify for bonus depreciation. This amount is capped at the lesser of: 6% of historic AMT and R&D credits or \$30 million. The bill would extend this temporary benefit through 2009. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$805 million over 10 years.*

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**Extension of Enhanced Small Business Expensing.** In order to help small businesses quickly recover the cost of certain capital expenses, small business taxpayers may elect to write-off the cost of these expenses in the year of acquisition in lieu of recovering these costs over time through depreciation. Until the end of 2010, small business taxpayers are allowed to write-off up to \$125,000 (indexed for inflation) of capital expenditures subject to a phase-out once capital expenditures exceed \$500,000 (indexed for inflation). Last year, Congress temporarily increased the amount that small businesses could write-off for capital expenditures incurred in 2008 to \$250,000 and increased the phase-out threshold for 2008 to \$800,000. The bill would extend these temporary increases for capital expenditures incurred in 2009. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$41 million over 10 years.*

**Incentives to Hire Unemployed Veterans and Disconnected Youth.** Under current law, businesses are allowed to claim a work opportunity tax credit equal to 40% of the first \$6,000 of wages paid to employees of one of nine targeted groups. The bill would create two new targeted groups of prospective employees: (1) unemployed veterans; and (2) disconnected youth. An individual would qualify as an unemployed veteran if they were discharged or released from active duty from the Armed Forces during the five-year period prior to hiring and received unemployment compensation for more than four weeks during the year before being hired. An individual qualifies as a disconnected youth if they are between the ages of 16 and 25 and have not been regularly employed or attended school in the past 6 months. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$231 million over 10 years.*

**Small Business Capital Gains.** Under current law, Section 1202 provides a 50% exclusion for the gain from the sale of certain small business stock held for more than five years. The amount of gain eligible for the exclusion is limited to the greater of 10 times the taxpayer's basis in the stock, or \$10 million gain from stock in that small business corporation. This provision is limited to individual investments and not the investments of a corporation. The non-excluded portion of section 1202 gain is taxed at the lesser of ordinary income rates or 28%, instead of the lower capital gains rates for individuals. The provision allows a 75% exclusion for individuals on the gain from the sale of certain small business stock held for more than five years. This change is for stock issued after the date of enactment and before January 1, 2011. *This provision is estimated to cost \$829 million over 10 years.*

**Temporary Small Business Estimated Tax Payment Relief.** The bill reduces the 2009 required estimated tax payments for certain small businesses. This provision has been estimated to have no revenue effect over 10 years. Temporary Reduction of S Corporation Built-In Gains Holding Period from 10 Years to 7 Years. Under current law, if a taxable corporation converts into an S corporation, the conversion is not a taxable event. However, following such a conversion, an S corporation must hold its assets for ten years in order to avoid a tax on any built-in gains that existed at the time of the conversion. The bill would temporarily reduce this holding period from ten years to seven years for sales occurring in 2009 and 2010. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$415 million over 10 years.*

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### MANUFACTURING RECOVERY PROVISIONS

**Industrial Development Bonds (IDB).** Under current law, certain manufacturing facilities are eligible for tax exempt bond financing. Section 144(a)(12)(C) specifically limits the definition of a manufacturing facility for the purposes of such financing to facilities that are used in the manufacturing or production of tangible personal property. The proposal amends the definition of manufacturing facility to any facility used in the manufacturing, creation, or production of tangible or intangible property described in section 197(d)(1)(C)(iii). Intangible property is any patent, copyright, formula, process, design, pattern, knowhow, format, or other similar item. The proposal also clarifies which physical components of a manufacturing facility qualify as "ancillary" and therefore are subjected to a 25% limitation in the amount of bond issuance used to build or re-construct those components. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$203 million over ten years.*

**Advanced Energy Investment Credit.** The proposal establishes a new 30% investment tax credit for facilities engaged in the manufacture of advanced energy property. Credits are available only for projects certified by the Secretary of Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of Energy, through a competitive bidding process. The Secretary of Treasury must establish a certification program no later than 180 days after date of enactment, and may allocate up to \$2.3 billion in credits. Advanced energy property includes technology for the production of renewable energy, energy storage, energy conservation, efficient transmission and distribution of electricity, and carbon capture and sequestration. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$1.6 billion over 10 years.*

### ECONOMIC RECOVERY TOOLS

**New Markets Tax Credit.** Under current law, there are \$3.5 billion of New Markets Tax Credits (NMTC) available for each of 2008 and 2009. The provision increases the available credits for 2008 to \$5 billion and the available credits for 2009 to \$5 billion. *This provision is estimated to cost \$815 million over 10 years.*

**Recovery Zone Bonds.** The bill would create a new category of tax credit bonds for investment in economic recovery zones. The bill would authorize \$10 billion in recovery zone economic development bonds and \$15 billion in recovery zone facility bonds. These bonds could be issued during 2009 and 2010. Each state would receive a share of the national allocation based on that state's job losses in 2008 as a percentage of national job losses in 2008 (each state will receive a minimum allocation of these bonds). These allocations would be sub-allocated to local municipalities. Municipalities receiving an allocation of these bonds would be permitted to use these bonds to invest in infrastructure, job training, education, and economic development in areas within the boundaries of the State, city or county (as the case may be) that has significant poverty, unemployment or home foreclosures. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$5.4 billion over 10 years.*

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### INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING TOOLS

**Eliminate Costs Imposed on State and Local Governments by the Alternative Minimum Tax.** The alternative minimum tax (AMT) can increase the costs of issuing tax-exempt private activity bonds imposed on State and local governments. Under current law, interest on tax-exempt private activity bonds is generally subject to the AMT. This limits the marketability of these bonds and, therefore, forces State and local governments to issue these bonds at higher interest rates. Last year, Congress excluded one category of private activity bonds (i.e., tax-exempt housing bonds) from the AMT. The bill would exclude the remaining categories of private activity bonds from the AMT if the bond is issued in 2009 or 2010. The bill also allows AMT relief for current refunding of private activity bonds issued after 2003 and refunded during 2009 and 2010. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$555 million over 10 years.*

**Tax Credit Bond Option for State and Local Governments (“Build America Bonds”).** The Federal government provides significant financial support to State and local governments through the federal tax exemption for interest on municipal bonds. Both tax credit bonds and tax-exempt bonds provide a subsidy to municipalities by reducing the cash interest payments that a State or local government must make on its debt. Tax credit bonds differ from tax-exempt bonds in two principal ways: (1) interest paid on tax credit bonds is taxable; and (2) a portion of the interest paid on tax credit bonds takes the form of a Federal tax credit. The Federal tax credit offsets a portion of the cash interest payment that the State or local government would otherwise need to make on the borrowing. For 2009 and 2010, the bill would provide State and local governments with the option of issuing a tax credit bond instead of a tax-exempt governmental obligation bond. Because the market for tax credits is currently small given current economic conditions, the bill would allow the State or local government to elect to receive a direct payment from the Federal government equal to the subsidy that would have otherwise been delivered through the Federal tax credit for bonds. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$4.3 billion over 10 years.*

### REINVESTMENT IN RENEWABLE ENERGY

**Long-term Extension and Modification of Renewable Energy Production Tax Credit.** The bill would extend the placed-in-service date for wind facilities for three years (through December 31, 2012). The bill would also extend the placed-in-service date for three years (through December 31, 2013) for certain other qualifying facilities: closed-loop biomass; open-loop biomass; geothermal; small irrigation; hydropower; landfill gas; waste-to-energy; and marine renewable facilities. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$13.1 billion over 10 years.*

**Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (“CREBs”).** The bill authorizes an additional \$1.6 billion of new clean renewable energy bonds to finance facilities that generate electricity from the following resources: wind; closed-loop biomass; open-loop biomass; geothermal; small irrigation; hydropower; landfill gas; marine renewable; and trash combustion facilities. This \$1.6 billion authorization will be subdivided into thirds: 1/3 will be available for qualifying projects of State/local/tribal governments; 1/3 for qualifying projects of public power providers; and 1/3 for qualifying projects of electric cooperatives. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$578 million over 10 years.*

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**Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds.** The bill authorizes an addition \$2.4 billion of qualified energy conservation bonds to finance State, municipal and tribal government programs and initiatives designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would also clarify that qualified energy conservation bonds may be issued to make loans and grants for capital expenditures to implement green community programs. The bill also clarifies that qualified energy conservation bonds may be used for programs in which utilities provide ratepayers with energy-efficient property and recoup the costs of that property over an extended period of time. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$803 million over 10 years.*

**Tax Credits for Energy-Efficient Improvements to Existing Homes.** The bill would extend the tax credits for improvements to energy-efficient existing homes through 2010. Under current law, individuals are allowed a tax credit equal to 10% of the amount paid or incurred by the taxpayer for qualified energy efficiency improvements installed during the taxable year. This tax credit is capped at \$50 for any advanced main air circulating fan, \$150 for any qualified natural gas, propane, oil furnace or hot water boiler, and \$300 for any item of energy-efficient building property. For 2009 and 2010, the bill would increase the amount of the tax credit to 30% of the amount paid or incurred by the taxpayer for qualified energy efficiency improvements during the taxable year. The bill would also eliminate the property-by-property dollar caps on this tax credit and provide an aggregate \$1,500 cap on all property qualifying for the credit. The bill would update the energy-efficiency standards of the property qualifying for the credit. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$2 billion over 10 years.*

**Tax Credits for Alternative Refueling Property.** The alternative refueling property credit provides a tax credit to businesses (e.g., gas stations) that install alternative fuel pumps, such as fuel pumps that dispense E85 fuel, electricity, hydrogen, and natural gas. For 2009 and 2010, the bill would increase the 30% alternative refueling property credit for businesses (capped at \$30,000) to 50% (capped at \$50,000). Hydrogen refueling pumps would remain at a 30% credit percentage; however, the cap for hydrogen refueling pumps will be increased to \$200,000. In addition, the bill would increase the 30% alternative refueling property credit for individuals (capped at \$1,000) to 50% (capped at \$2,000). *This proposal is estimated to cost \$54 million over 10 years.*

### OTHER PROVISIONS

**Treasury Department Energy Grants in Lieu of Tax Credits.** Under current law, taxpayers are allowed to claim a production tax credit for electricity produced by certain renewable energy facilities and an investment tax credit for certain renewable energy property. These tax credits help attract private capital to invest in renewable energy projects. Current economic conditions have severely undermined the effectiveness of these tax credits. As a result, the bill would allow taxpayers to receive a grant from the Treasury Department in lieu of tax credits. This grant will operate like the current-law investment tax credit. The Treasury Department will issue a grant in an amount equal to 30% of the cost of the renewable energy facility within sixty days of the facility being placed in service or, if later, within sixty days of receiving an application for such grant. *This proposal is estimated to cost \$5 million over 10 years.*

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### ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES & UNEMPLOYED WORKERS

**Extension of Emergency Unemployment Compensation.** Through December 31, 2009, the bill continues the Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, which provides up to 33 weeks of extended unemployment benefits to workers exhausting their regular benefits. *This provision is estimated to cost \$27 billion.* Increase in Unemployment Compensation Benefits. The bill increases unemployment weekly benefits by an additional \$25 through 2009. *This provision is estimated to cost \$8.8 billion.*

**Temporary Assistance to States with Advances to Unemployment Trust Funds.** The bill temporarily waives interest payments and the accrual in interest on loans received by state unemployment trust funds through December 31, 2010. *This provision is estimated to cost \$1.1 billion.* Additional Unemployment Provisions. Additional provisions extend unemployment compensation for 13 weeks to railroad workers who are not included in the Federal/state unemployment system. *This provision is estimated to cost \$21 million.* The bill also provides temporary federal assistance to states for the administration of the Extended Benefits program. *This provision is estimated to cost \$138 million.*

**Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Contingency Fund:** The bill creates through FY 2010 a capped, temporary TANF Emergency Contingency Fund to provide states with relief during this recession. *This provision is estimated to cost \$2.4 billion.* Through FY 2010, the bill provides additional assistance to qualifying states with high population growth and/or increased poverty at the same amount awarded in FY 2009. *This provision is estimated to cost \$319 million.* The bill also repeals cuts to child support enforcement funding through September 30, 2010. *This provision is estimated to cost \$1 billion.*

### HEALTH INSURANCE ASSISTANCE

**Premium Subsidies for COBRA Continuation Coverage for Unemployed Workers.** Recession-related job loss threatens health coverage for many families. To help people maintain coverage, the bill provides a 65% subsidy for COBRA continuation premiums for up to 9 months for workers who have been involuntarily terminated, and for their families. This subsidy also applies to health care continuation coverage if required by states for small employers. With COBRA premiums averaging more than \$1000 a month, this assistance is vitally important. To qualify for premium assistance, a worker must be involuntarily terminated between September 1, 2008 and December 31, 2009. The subsidy would terminate upon offer of any new employer-sponsored health care coverage or Medicare eligibility. Workers who were involuntarily terminated between September 1, 2008 and enactment, but failed to initially elect COBRA because it was unaffordable, would be given an additional 60 days to elect COBRA and receive the subsidy. To ensure that this assistance is targeted at workers who are most in need, participants must attest that their same year income will not exceed \$125,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for families. The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates that this provision would help 7 million people maintain their health insurance by providing a vital bridge for workers who have been forced out of their jobs in this recession. *This provision is estimated to cost \$24.7 billion.*

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**Medicare Payments for Teaching Hospitals.** The bill blocks a FY09 Medicare payment reduction to teaching hospitals related to capital payments for indirect medical education (IME). *This provision is estimated to cost \$191 million.* The bill also blocks FY09 Medicare payment cut to Hospice providers related to a wage index payment add-on. *This provision is estimated to cost \$134 million.* Finally, the bill makes technical corrections to the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP Extension Act of 2007 related to Medicare payments for long-term care hospitals. *The estimated cost of these provisions is \$13 million.*

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### Department of Agriculture

**Grant:** **Rural Community Facilities**

Amount: \$130 million

Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Rural Development Agency

Type: Competitive Grants

Description: Funds to support grants and loans to rural areas for critical community facilities, such as for health care, education, fire and rescue, day care, community centers, and libraries.

Website: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm>

**Grants:** **Rural Water and Waste Disposal**

Amount: \$1.38 billion

Type: Grants

Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Rural Development Agency

Purpose: Help communities fund drinking water and wastewater treatment systems.

Website: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/>

Contact: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/states/usamap.htm>

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**Grants:** **Bureau of Reclamation -- Clean Drinking Water Fund**

Amount: \$1 billion

Type: Grants based on priority ranking system

Agency: U.S. Department of Interior; Bureau of Reclamation

Purpose: Provide clean, reliable drinking water to rural areas and to ensure adequate water supply to western localities impacted by drought.

Website: <http://www.usbr.gov/>

**Grants:** **Watershed Infrastructure**

Amount: \$340 million

Type: Grants based on priority ranking system

Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Natural Resources Conservation Service

Purpose: Watershed improvement programs to design and build flood protection, water quality projects, repair aging dams, and purchase and restore conservation easements in river flood zones.

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/recovery/implementation.html>

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**Grants:** **Rural Housing Insurance Fund**  
**Amount:** \$200 million  
**Agency:** USDA - Rural Development - Rural Housing Service  
**Type:** Direct and guaranteed loans  
**Description:** Funds to insure or guarantee rural housing loans for single-family homes, rental and cooperative housing, and rural housing sites.  
**Website:** <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/>  
**Forms:** <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/regs/formstoc.html>



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### Army Corps of Engineers

**Grants:** **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Construction**  
**Amount:** \$2 billion was included for United States Army Corps of Engineers for construction activities.  
**Type:** Funding included for ongoing projects, not to initiate new projects.  
**Agency:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
**Description:** Provides public engineering and construction services for navigation, flood and storm protection, ecosystem restoration, environmental protection, and an array of other purposes.  
**Website:** <http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY/Pages/default.aspx> (for updates and information on contracting and biz opportunities)  
<http://www.usace.army.mil/ABOUT/Pages/Locations.aspx> -- to find regional contacts who can provide a list of projects/plans

**Grants:** **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Maintenance**  
**Amount:** \$2 billion was included United States Army Corps of Engineers for operation and maintenance activities.  
**Type:** Funding will be provided to existing Corps projects  
**Agency:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
**Description:** Provides funding for the operation and maintenance of facilities constructed by the Corps. Work to be accomplished consists of dredging, repair, and operation of structures and other facilities.  
**Website:** <http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY/Pages/default.aspx> (for updates and information on contracting and biz opportunities)  
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### Department of Commerce

**Grant:** **Economic Development Assistance**  
**Amount:** \$150 million  
**Agency:** Department of Commerce - Economic Development Administration  
**Description:** Funds for economically distressed areas to generate private sector jobs. Priority consideration will be given to those areas that have experienced sudden and severe economic dislocation and job loss due to corporate restructuring.  
**Type:** Competitive Grants  
**Website:** <http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/Investments.xml>

### Small Business Administration

**Loan:** **Small Business Administration - 7(a) Loan Guarantee Program**  
**Amount:** \$375 million  
**Agency:** Small Business Administration (SBA) /Office of Capital Access  
**Provision:** Temporary fee elimination - SBA is directed to collect no fee or reduce fees to the maximum extent possible for the 7(a) loan program  
SBA may guarantee up to 90% of 7(a) loans  
**Purpose:** To ensure small businesses have access to 7(a) loans that may be used to establish a new business or to assist in the operation, acquisition or expansion of an existing business.  
**Website:** <http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/7a/>  
<http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/index.html>

**Loan:** **Small Business Administration- 504 Loan Program**  
**Amount:** \$375 million  
**Agency:** Small Business (SBA) /Office of Capital Access  
**Description:** Funds to ensure small businesses maintain adequate access to 504 loans. 504 loans may be used for purchasing land and improvements, including existing buildings, grading, street improvements, utilities, parking lots and landscaping; construction of new facilities, or modernizing, renovating or converting existing facilities; or purchasing long-term machinery and equipment.  
**Website:** <http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/cdc504/index.html>  
<http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/index.html>



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<b>Loan:</b>	<b>Micro-Loan Program</b>
Amount:	\$6 million
Agency:	Small Business (SBA)
Description:	Provides very small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Under this program, SBA makes funds available to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers in amounts up to a maximum of \$35,000. The average loan size is about \$13,000. Applications are submitted to the local intermediary and all credit decisions are made on the local level.
Website:	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html">http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html</a> <a href="http://www.sba.gov/recovery/index.html">http://www.sba.gov/recovery/index.html</a>



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### Department of Education

**Grants:** **Education for Homeless Children and Youth**

Amount: \$70 million  
Agency: Department of Education  
Type: Formula funding to States  
Description: Funds to provide services to homeless children including meals and transportation when high unemployment and home foreclosures have created an influx of homeless kids.  
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/homeless/index.html>

**Grant:** **State Fiscal Stabilization Fund**

Amount: \$53.6 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$1,590,253,954  
Agency: U.S. Department of Education  
Administrators: Office of the Governor/State Department of Education  
Description: To provide fiscal relief to the States to prevent tax increases and cutbacks in critical education and other services.  
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>  
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>  
State Recovery Sites: <http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/state-recovery-page>

**Grant:** **IDEA Special Education**

Amount (Federal): \$12.2 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$351,714,219  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Administrator: State Department of Education  
Description: To assist States and school districts with paying for the rising cost of special education for students with disabilities.  
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>  
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

**Grant:** **Education for the Disadvantaged**

Amount: \$13 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$441,296,822

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Agency: U.S. Department of Education/Office of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Type: States will receive formula funding for Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.  
Description: Provides local educational agencies (LEAs) with supplemental education funding, especially in high-poverty areas.  
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>  
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/titlei/fy09recovery/index.html>

**Grant: Education Technology**

Amount: \$650 million was included for the Enhancing Education through Technology program.  
Amount (Georgia) \$16,000,000  
Agency: U.S. Department of Education; Office of Elementary and Secondary Education; Student Achievement and School Accountability Programs  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Description: Funds for State, district, and school efforts to integrate technology in the classroom.  
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>  
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

**Grant: Vocational Rehabilitation**

Amount: \$540 million was included for Vocational Rehabilitation State Grants.  
Amount (Georgia) \$16,000,000  
Agency: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Rehabilitation Services Administration  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Description: To help individuals with disabilities prepare for and engage in gainful employment.  
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>  
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

**Grant: Teacher Quality Enhancement Competitive State Grants**

Amount: \$300 million  
Agency: U.S. Department of Education - Office of Postsecondary Education  
Type: Competitive grants to states and school districts  
Description: \$200 million for competitive grants to school districts and states to provide financial incentives for teachers and principals who raise student achievement.  
\$100 million for competitive grants to states to address teacher shortages and modernize the

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teaching workforce.

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/heatqp/eligibility.html>

**Grant: Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Grant Program**

Amount: \$250 million was included in competitive grants for the Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Program.

Agency: Department of Education - Institute of Education Sciences

Type: Competitive Grants to States

Description: Grants to design and develop data systems that analyze individual student data to find ways to improve student achievement.

Website: <http://nces.ed.gov/programs/slds/>

**Grant: Student Financial Assistance**

Amount: \$15.64 billion was included for the Pell Grant program. \$200 million was included for work-study programs. These additional funds will provide immediate financial relief to an additional 800,000 students and their families who are struggling to pay for the cost of a higher education during the economic downturn.

Agency: Department of Education - Office of Federal Student Aid

Description: To provide need-based scholarships for undergraduate students.

Type: Students may fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine if they are eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant or Work-Study funds.

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html>

State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

**Grant: College Work Study**

Amount: \$200 million

Agency: Department of Education - Office of Federal Student Aid

Description: Funding for part-time employment opportunities to assist students in financing the costs of postsecondary education.

Type: Formula Grants

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fws/index.html>

State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

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**Grant:** **State Fiscal Stabilization Fund**  
**Amount:** \$53.6 billion  
**Amount (Georgia)** \$1,590,253,954  
**Agency:** Department of Education  
**Type:** States will receive formula funding  
**Administrators:** State Governors/GA Department of Education  
**Description:** To provide fiscal relief to the States to prevent tax increases and cutbacks in critical education and other services.  
**Website:** <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>  
**State Funding Amounts:** <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>  
**State Recovery Sites:** <http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/state-recovery-page>



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### Energy

- Grants:** **State Energy Efficiency Programs**  
Amount (Federal): \$3.1 billion was included for the State Energy Program.  
Amount (Georgia) \$82,340,000  
Type: States receive funding through a formula.  
Description: States use grants to address energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies.
- Grants:** **Weatherization Assistance Program**  
Amount: \$5 billion was included for the Weatherization Assistance Program. Provisions also expand the eligibility of low income households for the Weatherization Assistance Program and increasing the funding assistance level per dwelling (from \$2,500 per dwelling to \$6,500).  
Amount (Georgia) \$130,055,864  
Type: States receive funding through a formula.  
Description: Provides energy efficiency measures in the homes of qualifying homeowners free of charge.  
Purpose: To assist low-income families to reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient.  
Contact: n/a – Call Governor’s Office of Customer Service – (800) 436 – 7442
- Grants:** **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)**  
Amount: \$3.2 billion was included for EECBG.  
Amount (Georgia) \$89,193,277  
Type: Competitive grants to government entities  
Office: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)  
Agency: U.S. Department of Energy  
Purpose: To reduce fossil fuel emissions, decrease overall energy consumption, improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other energy consuming sectors of the economies of eligible entities.  
Description: Assists states and local governments in implementing strategies to reduce fossil fuel emissions created as a result of activities within the jurisdictions of the eligible entities and reduce the total energy use. Activities eligible to receive funding include: conducting residential and commercial building energy audits; establishing financial incentives programs for energy efficiency improvements; grants to non-profit organizations to perform energy efficiency retrofits; developing/implementing programs to conserve energy used in transportation; developing and implementing building codes and inspections services to promote building energy efficiency;

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installing light emitting diodes (LEDs); and developing, implementing, and installing on or in any government building onsite renewable energy technology that generates electricity from renewable sources.

Website: [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block\\_grants.cfm](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm)

Contact: n/a - Call Governor's Office of Customer Service – (800) 436 – 7442

**Grants: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)**

Amount: \$16.8 billion was included for EERE

Type: Competitive grants to private sector, state and local gov'ts, national labs, and universities

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Programs: 10 energy programs, including the Biomass Program; Building Technologies; Federal Energy Management; Geothermal Technologies; Hydrogen, Fuel Cells & Infrastructure; Industrial Technologies Program; Solar Energy Technologies Program; Vehicle Technologies; Wind & Hydropower Technologies Program; and Weatherization & Intergovernmental Program

Website: [www.eere.energy.gov/](http://www.eere.energy.gov/)

contact: n/a - Call Governor's Office of Customer Service – (800) 436 – 7442

**Grants: Biomass Program**

Amount: \$800 million to be dedicated to projects related to biomass

Type: Competitive grants

Office: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Activities: For research, development and demonstration for converting biomass resources to biofuels

Website: [www.eere.energy.gov/biomass](http://www.eere.energy.gov/biomass)

**Grants: Geothermal Technologies Program**

Amount: \$400 million to be dedicated for geothermal activities and projects

Type: Competitive grants

Office: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Activities: Geothermal research, development and demonstration efforts

Website: [www.eere.energy.gov/geothermal](http://www.eere.energy.gov/geothermal)

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- Grants:** **Advanced Battery Manufacturing**
- Amount:** \$2 billion was included for Advanced Battery Manufacturing grants to support the manufacturing of advanced vehicle batteries and components
- Type:** Competitive Grants to domestic manufacturing facilities
- Office:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)
- Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy
- Activities:** For the manufacturing of advanced batteries and components; and to provide facility funding to manufacturers of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries that are produced in the United States, including advanced lithium ion batteries, hybrid electrical systems, component manufacturers, and software designers.
- Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)
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- Grants:** **Alternative Fueled Vehicle Pilot Grant Program**
- Amount:** \$300 million was included for the Alternative Fueled Vehicles Pilot Grant Program
- Type:** Competitive Grant to state governments, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts, and private or nonprofit entities.
- Office:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) - Clean Cities Program
- Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy
- Purposes:** To establish a grant program through the DOE Clean Cities Program to encourage the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles or other emerging electric vehicle technologies.
- Activities:** Funds used for the acquisition of alternative fueled vehicles, fuel cell vehicles or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation and ground support vehicles at public airports. The installation or acquisition of infrastructure necessary to directly support an alternative fueled vehicle, fuel cell vehicle, or hybrid vehicle project funded by the grant is also eligible.
- Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities](http://www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities)
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- Grants:** **Transportation Electrification**
- Amount:** \$400 million for Transportation Electrification grant projects.
- Type:** Competitive Grant to states, local governments, and metropolitan transportation authorities.
- Office:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)
- Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy
- Purposes:** To implement a grant program for qualified electric transportation projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment.
- Website:** [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)
- Contact:** n/a - Call Governor's Office of Customer Service – (800) 436 - 7442

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**Grants:** **Smart Grid Investment Program**

Amount: \$4.5 billion was included for the Smart Grid Investment Program.  
Type: Regional demonstration initiative and matching grants to states  
Office: Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability  
Agency: U.S. Department of Energy  
Purposes: To modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the energy infrastructure, energy storage research, development, demonstration and deployment, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and authorized purposes.  
Website: [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)  
[www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm](http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm)  
Contact: n/a - Call Governor's Office of Customer Service – (800) 436 - 7442

**Grants:** **Fossil Energy Research and Development Program**

Amount: \$3.4 billion was included for Fossil Energy Research and Development Program.  
Type: Competitive grants and contracts  
Office: Office of Fossil Energy  
Agency: U.S. Department of Energy  
Description: Research and Development programs include pollution control innovations for traditional power plants, including mercury reduction; improved gasification technologies; advanced combustion systems; development of stationary power fuel cells; improved turbines for future coal-based combined cycle plants; and creation of a portfolio of technologies that can capture and permanently store greenhouse gases.  
Website: [www.fossil.energy.gov](http://www.fossil.energy.gov)

**Grants:** **Physics Research Science Program**

Amount: \$1.6 billion was included for the science program.  
Type: Competitive grants to universities, companies, and national laboratories.  
Office: Office of Science  
Agency: U.S. Department of Energy  
Description: Grants will primarily be awarded for research in high-energy physics, nuclear physics, and fusion energy sciences.  
Website: [www.science.doe.gov](http://www.science.doe.gov)  
<http://www.science.doe.gov/grants/grants.html>



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- Grants:** **Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E)**  
Amount: \$400 million included for the Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E).  
Type: Awards to institutions of higher education, companies, research foundations, trade and industry research collaborations, or consortia of such entities, which may include federally-funded research and development centers.  
Agency: U.S. Department of Energy  
Purposes: To support high-risk, high-payoff research to accelerate the innovation cycle for both traditional and alternative energy sources and energy.  
Website: [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)
- Loan:** **Innovative Technology Loan**  
Amount: \$6 billion  
Type: Loan guarantees to eligible applicants include any firm, corporation, company, partnership, association, society, trust, joint venture, joint stock company, or governmental non-Federal entity that meets specific guidelines.  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Purposes: Loan guarantees for renewable technologies and transmission technologies.  
Website: <http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/index.html>
- Grants:** **Nuclear Waste Environmental Cleanup**  
Amount: \$5.127 billion  
Type: Awards based on priorities established by Department of Energy  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Purpose: Accelerate nuclear waste cleanup at sites contaminated as a result of the nation's past nuclear activities.  
Website: <http://www.em.doe.gov/pages/siteslocations.aspx?PAGEID=MAIN>
- Loan:** **Transmission Loan Guarantees**  
Amount: \$4 billion  
Type: Guarantee loans that support early commercial use of advanced technologies.  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Purposes: Loans for renewable energy power generation and transmission projects.  
Website: [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)  
<http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/>

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- Grants:** **Research into Low-Emission Coal Plants**  
Amount: \$800 million  
Type: Competitive grants  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Website: <http://www.netl.doe.gov>
- Grants:** **Industrial Carbon Capture and Energy Efficiency Improvement Projects**  
Amount: \$1.52 million  
Type: Competitive grants  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Website: [www.netl.doe.gov](http://www.netl.doe.gov)
- Grants:** **Grants for Identifying Sites to Store Carbon Dioxide Emissions**  
Amount: \$50 million  
Type: Competitive grants  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Website: <http://www.netl.doe.gov>
- Grants:** **Training of Electric Grid Workers**  
Amount: \$100 million  
Type: Grants to states; partners could include non-profits, labor associations, state and local veterans' groups, and state and local governments.  
Agency: Department of Energy  
Website: [www.eere.energy.gov](http://www.eere.energy.gov)  
<http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm>
- Bonds:** **Clean Renewable Energy Bonds**  
Amount: \$1.6 billion  
Type: Tax-credit bonds for state/local/tribal gov'ts, public power providers, and electric cooperatives.  
Agency: Internal Revenue Service  
Purposes: Create interest-free financing for certain renewable energy projects.  
Website: [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news\\_detail.cfm/news\\_id=12249](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news_detail.cfm/news_id=12249)  
<http://www.irs.gov/taxexemptbond/index.html>
- Bonds:** **Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds**  
Amount: \$2.4 billion  
Type: Tax-credit bonds issued for capital expenditures  
Agency: Internal Revenue Service

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Description: Very broad parameters for energy conservation projects including capital expenditure in public buildings, green community programs, renewable energy production, various R&D applications, mass commuting facilities, energy-related demonstration projects, and public energy efficiency education campaigns.

Website: [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news\\_detail.cfm/news\\_id=12249](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news_detail.cfm/news_id=12249)  
<http://www.irs.gov/taxexemptbond/index.html>

**Grants: Smart Grid Investment Program**

Amount: \$4.5 billion was included for the Smart Grid Investment Program.

Type: Regional demonstration initiative and matching grants to states

Office: Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Description: To modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the energy infrastructure, energy storage research, development, demonstration and deployment, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and authorized purposes.

Website: [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)  
[www.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm](http://www.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm)

Contact: Call Governor's Office of Customer Service – (800) 436 - 7442

**Grants: Fossil Energy Research and Development Program**

Amount: \$3.4 billion was included for Fossil Energy Research and Development Program.

Type: Competitive grants and contracts

Office: Office of Fossil Energy

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Description: Research and Development programs include pollution control innovations for traditional power plants, including mercury reduction; improved gasification technologies; advanced combustion systems; development of stationary power fuel cells; improved turbines for future coal-based combined cycle plants; and creation of a portfolio of technologies that can capture and permanently store greenhouse gases.

Website: [www.fossil.energy.gov](http://www.fossil.energy.gov)

**Grants: Physics Research Science Program**

Amount: \$1.6 billion was included for the science program.

Type: Competitive grants to universities, companies, and national laboratories

Office: Office of Science

Agency: U.S. Department of Energy

Description: Grants will primarily be awarded for research in high-energy physics, nuclear physics, and fusion energy sciences.

Website: [www.science.doe.gov](http://www.science.doe.gov)  
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**Grants:** **Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E)**  
**Amount:** \$400 million included for the Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E).  
**Type:** Awards to institutions of higher education, companies, research foundations, trade and industry research collaborations, or consortia of such entities, which may include federally-funded research and development centers.  
**Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy  
**Description:** To support high-risk, high-payoff research to accelerate the innovation cycle for both traditional and alternative energy sources and energy.  
**Website:** [www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)

**Grants:** **Home Weatherization Assistance Program**  
**Amount:** \$5 billion  
**Agency:** U.S. Department of Energy/Office of Energy Efficiency  
**Type:** States receive funding through a formula  
**Description:** Funds to assist low-income families reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient.  
**Website:** [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/dae\\_guidelines.cfm](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/dae_guidelines.cfm)  
**State Contact Info:** [http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/state\\_contacts.cfm](http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/state_contacts.cfm)  
**Website:** <http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/index.html>



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### Environmental Protection Agency

**Grant:** **Clean Water State Revolving Fund**  
Amount (Federal): \$4 billion included for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund  
Amount (Georgia)P: \$67,461,598  
Type: Funding provided to states is used to makes loans to communities, individuals, and others for high-priority, water-quality activities.  
Administrator: EPA; Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority  
Purpose: To provide relief to communities by requiring a greater Federal share for local clean and drinking water projects and greater flexibility for States to reach communities that would otherwise not have the resources to repay a loan with interest.  
Activities: Loans are used to build or improve wastewater treatment plants; agricultural, rural, and urban runoff control; estuary improvement projects; wet weather flow control, including storm water and sewer overflows; alternative treatment technologies; and water reuse and conservation projects.  
Website: <http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/>  
Contact: Shane Hix - 404 – 584 – 1043 - [shane@gefa.ga.gov](mailto:shane@gefa.ga.gov)

**Grants:** **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**  
Amount (Federal): \$2 billion included for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund  
Amount (Georgia): \$56,200,000  
Type: Funding provided to states is used to makes loans to communities, individuals, and others for high-priority, water-quality activities.  
Administrator: EPA; Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority  
Provisions: Directs priority funding to projects on State priority lists that are ready to proceed to construction within 12 months of enactment.  
Purpose: To provide relief to communities by requiring a greater Federal share for local clean and drinking water projects and greater flexibility for States to reach communities that would otherwise not have the resources to repay a loan with interest.  
Activities: Loans can be used for the installation and replacement of failing treatment facilities, eligible storage facilities and transmission and distribution systems.  
Website: <http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/>  
Contact: Shane Hix - 404 – 584 – 1043 - [shane@gefa.ga.gov](mailto:shane@gefa.ga.gov)

**Grants:** **Brownfields Evaluation and Clean-Up**  
Amount: \$100 million was included for Brownfields projects  
Type: Low interest loans, job training grants and technical assistance to local governments and non-profit organizations.  
Agency: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency- Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization

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Website: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/>  
<http://www.epa.gov/oswer>

**Grant: Hazardous Substance Superfund — Hazardous Waste Cleanup**

Amount: \$600 million

Administrator: Environmental Protection Agency

Provisions: Funds will be limited to the 1,255 sites on its National Priority List of superfund remedial sites. The superfund remedial program addresses contamination from uncontrolled releases at hazardous and toxic waste sites that threaten human health and environment.

Website: <http://www.epa.gov/superfund/sites/npl/index.htm>

**Grants: Diesel Emission Reduction Program**

Amount: \$300 million was included for Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grants.

Type: Competitive grants fund technologies to retrofit emission exhaust systems, such as on school buses and other vehicles, replace engines and vehicles, and establish anti-idling programs - 70% of the funding supports nation-wide, competitive grants, the remaining 30% funds grants to states with approved programs.

Agency: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Office Emission Reduction

Purpose: Funding is used to create clean diesel programs that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions that improve air quality and protect public health.

Website: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/diesel/>  
[www.epa.gov/diesel/prgnational.htm](http://www.epa.gov/diesel/prgnational.htm)  
<http://www.epa.gov/recovery>

Webform: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/diesel/ncdc-cmt.htm>

Contacts: Jac Capp - 404 – 363 – 7016 - [jac\\_capp@dnr.state.ga.gov](mailto:jac_capp@dnr.state.ga.gov)

**Grants: Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust**

Amount: \$200 million

Agency: Environmental Protection Agency

Description: Grants will be awarded through the Leaking Underground Storage Tanks (LUST) Program (administered by the EPA). Priority will be given based on LUST's scoring of sites

Website: <http://www.epa.gov/swerust1/ltffacts.htm>  
<http://www.epa.gov/swerust1/wheruliv.htm> (Visit for a list of eligible projects and contacts in your state/district)

Contacts: [Richard\\_swanson@dnr.state.ga.us](mailto:Richard_swanson@dnr.state.ga.us)

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### Department of Health and Human Services

**Grants:** **Head Start / Early Start Programs**

Amount: \$2.1 billion was included for Head Start Program funding and the expansion of the Early Head Start Program.

Type: States will receive formula funding

Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Administration for Children and Families

Description: Funding is administered directly to Head Start programs in states to provide development, educational, health, nutritional, social and other activities that prepare children to succeed in school.

Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/>

**Grants:** **Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)**

Amount Federal): \$1 billion was included for Community Services Block Grant (CSBG).

Amount (Georgia): \$5,379,674

Type: States will receive formula funding

Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services -Administration for Children and Families

Description: Provides funding to local community action agencies for services for the growing number of low-income families hurt by the economic crisis, such as housing and mortgage counseling, jobs skills training, food pantry assistance, as well as benefits, outreach, and enrollment.

Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/csbg/>

**Grant:** **Independent Living State Grants**

Amount: \$18.2 million

Type: States will receive formula funding

Description: To provide independent living (IL) services to individuals with significant disabilities.

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

Rehabilitation Services: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/rsailstate/index.html>

**Grant:** **Services for Older Individuals Who Are Blind**

Amount: \$34.3 Million

Type: States will receive formula funding

Description: Grants are made to states to support services for individuals age 55 or older whose severe visual impairment makes employment difficult to obtain.

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

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State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

Rehabilitation Services: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/rsailstate/index.html>

**Grants: Medicaid Federal Matching Assistance Percentage (FMAP) Increase**

Amount: \$86.6 billion

Amount (Georgia) \$2,315,898,168

Description: Funds to provide states with an increase in federal matching funds for state Medicaid expenditures to avoid budget shortfalls.

Agency: Centers of Medicare/Medicaid Services/State Medicaid Agency

Type: Formula Funding to States

State Funding Websites: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/statefundsmap.html>

<http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/statefunds.html>

**Grants: Community Health Center Infrastructure Grants**

Amount: \$1.5 billion

Office: Bureau of Primary Health Care

Agency: Health Resources and Services Administration

Type: Competitive Grants for Existing Grantees

Description: To renovate clinics and make health information technology improvements.

Websites: <http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm>

<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm>

**Grants: Community Health Center Services Grants**

Amount: \$500 million was included for Community Health Centers.

Office: Bureau of Primary Health Care

Agency: Health Resources and Services Administration

Type: Competitive Grants for Existing Grantees

Description: To increase the number of uninsured Americans who receive quality health care.

Website: <http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm>

**Grants: Community Health Center Services Grants - New Access Point Grants**

Amount: \$155 million

Agency: Department of Health and Human Services - Health Resources and Services Administration

Type: Grants Administered by Department of Health and Human Services

Description: Funds to create 126 new Community Health Centers.

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Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html>  
Facilities Funded: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/applicant.html>

**Grants:** **National Health Service Corps**  
Amount: \$300 million  
Office: National Health Service Corps  
Agency: Department of Health and Human Services - Health Resources and Services Administration  
Type: Competitive Grants, Scholarships, and Loan Repayment  
Description: To fund training for primary health care providers in specific health professions in underserved communities through the National Health Service Corps.  
Website: <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/applications/>

**Grants:** **Health Care Workforce**  
Amount: \$200 million  
Office: Bureau of Health Professions  
Agency: Health Resources and Services Administration  
Type: Competitive Grants, Scholarships, and Loan Repayment  
Description: To provide for training of health professions.  
Website: <http://www.hrsa.gov/help/healthprofessions.htm>  
<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm>

**Grants:** **Biomedical Research**  
Amount: \$8.7 billion  
Office: Office of the Director  
Agency: National Institutes of Health  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: To expand jobs in biomedical research to study diseases.  
Website: [http://www.nih.gov/about/director/02252009statement\\_arra.htm](http://www.nih.gov/about/director/02252009statement_arra.htm)

**Grants:** **University Research Facilities**  
Amount: \$1.3 billion  
Agency: National Institutes of Health - National Center for Research Resources  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Purpose: To renovate and equip university research facilities.  
Description: Funding will be used for the construction and renovation of extramural research facilities and for the acquisition of research equipment.  
Website: <http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/>



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**Grants: Prevention and Wellness Program**

Amount: \$95 million  
Agency: Centers for Disease Control/Community Prevention and Wellness  
Description: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: Funds to support state and local efforts to fight preventable chronic diseases and infectious diseases.  
Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/>  
<http://www.hhs.gov/>

**Grants: Comparative Effectiveness Health Research**

Amount: \$1.1 billion  
Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Agency on Health care Research and Quality (AHRQ) and National Institutes of Health (NIH)  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Purpose: To compare the effectiveness of different medical treatments  
Description: This funding will be used to conduct or support research to evaluate and compare clinical outcomes, effectiveness, risk, and benefits of two or more medical treatments and services that address a particular medical condition. This research will not be used to mandate coverage decisions or impose "one-size-fits-all" medicine on patients. It will be designed to enable medical professionals and patients to improve treatment. \$300 million will be administered by AHRQ.  
Website: <http://www.ahrq.gov/>

**Grants: Health Information Technology Grants**

Amount: \$2 billion  
Office: Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology, Agency for Health care Research and Quality, CDC, and Indian Health Service/States or State-Designated Entities  
Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: To authorize the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology in order to promote the use and exchange of electronic health information.  
Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>

**Grants: Health Information Technology Improvements**

Amount: \$17 billion was included to improve investments and incentives through Medicare and Medicaid to ensure widespread adoption and use of interoperable health information technology (HIT).  
Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology

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Description: Hospitals and Physician offices will automatically receive benefit through CMS reimbursements. Grants will be available through HHS for other medical agencies.

Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>

**Grant:** **NIH Challenge Grants in Health and Science Research**

Amount: \$200 million

Agency: National Institutes of Health - Office of Extramural Research

Type: Competitive Grants

Description: Funds will support research on specific scientific and health research challenges that will benefit from significant 2-year jumpstart funds.

Website: [http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/challenge\\_award/](http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/challenge_award/)



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### Department of Housing and Urban Development

**Grants: Public Housing Authorities for Capital Needs Grants**

Amount (Federal): \$4 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$109,850,783  
Type: \$3 Billion States receive funding through a formula  
\$1 billion was also included for competitive grants  
Office: Office of Public and Indian Housing – Office of Capital Improvements  
Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Description: Funds to Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) for building repair and modernization, including critical safety repairs.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/capfund/ocir.cfm>  
HUD Recovery State Formulas: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/capfund/grants/arra/index.cfm>

**Grants: Homelessness Prevention Fund**

Amount: \$1.5 billion  
Type: States and localities receive funding through a formula  
Agency: Department of Housing and Urban Development /Office of Community Planning  
Purpose: Funding provides short-term homeless prevention assistance to those losing their housing.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/esg/>  
HUD Recovery State Formulas: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tcap.cfm>

**Grants: Community Development Block Grants**

Amount (Federal): \$1 billion was included in formula funds to be distributed to local communities and states for community development and affordable housing activities.  
Amount (Georgia) \$22,849,234  
Type: States and localities receive funding through a formula  
Administrator: Department of Housing and Urban Development /Office of Community Planning  
Description: Funding for community and economic development projects including housing and services for those hit hard by tough economic times.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/cdblock.cfm>  
HUD Recovery State Formulas: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tcap.cfm>  
Contact: Brian Williamson (404) 679 – 1587 [brian.williamson@dcs.ga.gov](mailto:brian.williamson@dcs.ga.gov)



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**Grants:** **Neighborhood Stabilization Program**  
Amount (Federal): \$2 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$78,080,332  
Office : Office of Community Planning and Development  
Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: Help communities purchase and rehabilitate foreclosed, vacant properties in order to create more affordable housing and reduce neighborhood blight.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/neighborhoodspg/>  
HUD Recovery <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tcap.cfm>  
State Formulas:

**Grants:** **Lead Hazard Reduction Program**  
Amount: \$100 million  
Office: Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control  
Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: Funds for competitive grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations to remove lead-based paint hazards in low-income housing.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/grantprograms.cfm>  
HUD Recovery <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tcap.cfm>  
State Formulas:

**Grants:** **Native American Housing**  
Amount: \$510 million for rehabilitation and energy efficiency upgrades at housing maintained by Native American housing programs  
Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Type: \$255 million through a formula  
\$255 million for competitive grants  
Eligibility: Eligible applicants include Indian tribes or tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) eligible to receive funding under NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.).  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/native-american-formula.cfm>  
HUD Recovery <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tcap.cfm>  
State Formulas:

**Grants:** **HOME Investment Partnership Program**  
Amount (Federal): \$2.25 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$54,641,704

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Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development /Office of Planning  
Type: Funds will be distributed by formula to states  
Description: Will provide state and local governments with funds to create and rehabilitate affordable housing.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/>  
HUD Recovery: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tcap.cfm>  
State Formulas:

**Grants:** **Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP)**  
Amount: \$2.25 billion  
Agency: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development /Office of Planning  
Type: Funds will be distributed by formula to 52 State Housing Credit Agencies  
Description: Funding for capital investment in Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) projects via a formula-based allocation to State housing credit allocation agencies.  
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tax-credit.cfm>



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### Department of Interior

**Grants:** **Historic Preservation Fund for Historically Black Colleges and Universities**  
**Agency:** National Park Service  
**Funding:** \$15 million  
**Type:** Competitive Grants  
**Description:** These funds will be used for historical preservation competitive grants for historically black colleges and universities.  
**Website:** <http://www.doi.gov/recovery/plans.html#nps>  
**HBCU Grants:** <http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/hpg/hbcu/index.htm>



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### Department of Justice/Public Safety

- Grants:** **Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants**  
Agency: \$2 billion  
Administrator: Department of Justice - Bureau of Justice Assistance  
Type: Formula funding to state and local police forces  
Description: Funds to help states and local governments support activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system enforcement.  
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>  
Allocations: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/recoveryallocations.html>
- Grants:** **Byrne Competitive Grants Program**  
Amount: \$225 million  
Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: Funds to help states and local governments support activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system enforcement.  
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>
- Grants:** **Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Grants**  
Agency: \$1 billion  
Office: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)  
Agency: Department of Justice  
Type: Competitive Grant  
Description: For hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers.  
Website: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/default.asp?Item=2108>  
Eligibility: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/chrp/eligibilityanony.aspx>
- Grants:** **STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program**  
Amount: \$175 million  
Amount (Georgia): \$1,200,000  
Agency: Department of Justice- Office on Violence Against Women  
Type: Formula funding to state agency  
Description: STOP formula grants are intended for use by states and territories; state, local and tribal courts (including juvenile courts); Indian tribal governments; local governments; and nonprofit, nongovernment victim services programs. Recipients are required to meet one or more of 14 statutory purpose areas. These areas include, but are not limited to: training law enforcement officers, judges, court personnel and prosecutors; developing, enlarging, or strengthening victim services programs; developing, installing or expanding data collection; and developing,

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enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing stalking.

Website: [http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop\\_grant\\_desc.htm](http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm)

**Grants: Transitional Housing Assistance Program**

Amount: \$50 million

Agency: Department of Justice - Transitional Housing Assistance Program

Type: Competitive Grants to states, local government, Indian Tribes, nonprofits and services providers.

Description: May be used for transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, support services designed to enable individuals who are fleeing domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking to locate and secure permanent housing and integrate into a community by providing those individuals with services such as transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance.

Website: [http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing\\_grant\\_desc.htm](http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm)

**Grants: Victims Compensation**

Amount (Federal): \$100 million

Amount (Georgia) \$2,700,000

Agency: Department of Justice - Office for Victims of Crime

Type: Formula funding to state agencies

Description: Funding to support State compensation and assistance programs for victims and survivors of Federal and state crimes.

Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryfunds.html>

Application: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryformula.html>

**Grants: Rural Law Enforcement**

Amount: \$125 millions

Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance

Type: Competitive Grants

Description: The funding is for grants to combat drug-related crime and other law enforcement activities in rural America.

Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

**Grants: Assistance for Tribal Law Enforcement**

Amount: \$225 million

Agency: Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance

Type: Competitive Grants

Description: The funding is for grants to construct jails and other law enforcement activities on tribal lands.

Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

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**Grants**                    **Assistance for Law Enforcement along the Southern Border and in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA)**  
Amount:                    \$40 million  
Agency:                    Department of Justice - Office of Justice Assistance  
Type:                        Competitive Grants  
Description:                The funding is for grants to combat drug-related crime and other law enforcement activities along the Southern Border.  
Website                    <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

**Grants:**                    **Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program**  
Amount:                    \$50 million  
Amount (Georgia)        \$1,100,000  
Agency:                    Department of Justice - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention  
Type:                        Formula funding to state agency  
Description:                Funds to help State and local law enforcement agencies enhance investigative responses to offenders who use the Internet to sexually exploit children.  
Website:                    <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html>

**Grants:**                    **Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program**  
Amount:                    \$210 million  
Agency:                    Department of Homeland Security - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)  
Type:                        Competitive Grant  
Purposes:                    To provide assistance for communities to modify, upgrade or construct state and local fire stations.  
Website:                    [www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/](http://www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/)  
Website:                    <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/oii/nonpublic/childcare.html>



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### Department of Labor

**Grants:** **Employment Training Services for Adults**  
Amount: \$500 million  
Agency: Employment and Training Agency  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Description: Funding to states to facilitate increased training of individuals for high-demand occupations.  
Website: [http://www.doleta.gov/programs/general\\_info.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/programs/general_info.cfm)  
Contact: Andrea Harper - 404 – 232 – 7320 [andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us](mailto:andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us)

**Grants:** **Dislocated Workers Employment and Training Services**  
Amount: \$1.25 billion  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Agency: Employment and Training Agency  
Description: Funds to provide quality employment and training services to assist individuals in finding employment, and to help employers find skilled employees.  
Website: [http://www.doleta.gov/programs/ETA\\_default.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/programs/ETA_default.cfm)  
Contact: Andrea Harper - 404 – 232 – 7320 [andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us](mailto:andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us)

**Grants:** **Employment Training Services for Youths**  
Amount (Federal): \$1.2 billion  
Amount (Georgia) \$31,600,000  
Agency: Employment and Training Agency  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Description: Funds to create summer employment opportunities for people under 24 years old.  
Website: [http://www.doleta.gov/youth\\_services/](http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/)  
Contact: Andrea Harper - 404 – 232 – 7320 [andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us](mailto:andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us)

**Grants:** **Employment Services**  
Amount: \$250 million  
Agency: Employment and Training Agency  
Type: States will receive formula funds.  
Description: Funding for reemployment services to connect unemployment insurance claimants to employment.  
Website: [http://www.doleta.gov/programs/Wagner\\_Peyser.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/programs/Wagner_Peyser.cfm)  
Contact: Andrea Harper - 404 – 232 – 7320 [andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us](mailto:andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us)



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**Grants:** **Dislocated Worker Assistance**  
Amount: \$200 million  
Office: Employment & Training Administration  
Agency: U.S. Department of Labor  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: These funds will allow the Secretary of Labor to award national emergency grants to respond to plant closings, mass layoffs and other worker dislocations.  
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/>  
<http://www.doleta.gov/grants/>  
Contact: Andrea Harper - 404 – 232 – 7320 [andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us](mailto:andrea.harper@dol.state.ga.us)

**Grants:** **YouthBuild**  
Amount: \$50 million  
Office: Employment & Training Administration  
Type: Formula funds and Competitive Grants  
Agency: U.S. Department of Labor  
Description: Provides services for at-risk youth, who gain education and occupational credentials while constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing.  
Website: [http://www.doleta.gov/youth\\_services/](http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/)

**Grants:** **Green Jobs Training**  
Amount: \$500 million  
Agency: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment & Training Administration  
Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: These funds are designated for projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy as described in the Green Jobs Act of 2007.  
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/>

**Grants:** **Community Service Employment for Older Americans**  
Amount: \$120 million  
Agency: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment & Training Administration  
Type: Formula funds and Competitive Grants - Nonprofits may apply  
Description: Funding for part-time employment opportunities for low income seniors.  
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/seniors/>

**Grants:** **Job Corps Program**  
Amount: \$250 million  
Office: Office of Job Corps  
Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

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Type: Competitive Grants  
Description: The funds will support construction and modernization of a network of residential facilities serving at-risk youth.  
Website: <http://www.jobcorps.gov/>

**Grants:** **Trade Adjustment Assistance for Workers**  
Amount: Reauthorizes all TAA programs until Dec. 31 2010, increases funding to states by \$575 million  
Agency: U.S. Department of Labor - Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance  
Type: Discretionary grants  
Description: Fund to help workers at firms who have become (or are threatened to become) fully or partially separated from employment due to trade with foreign countries.  
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/tradeact/taa/WhoWeServe.cfm>



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<b>Grant:</b>	<b>Highway Improvement Programs</b>
Amount (Federal):	\$27.5 billion was included for Highway Infrastructure Investment.
Amount (Georgia):	\$931,585,680
Type:	Funds are distributed by formula, with a portion of the funds within each State being sub allocated by population areas.
Administrator:	Georgia Department of Transportation
Purpose:	For transportation projects including resurfacing and pavement preservation projects, traffic signal system upgrades, bridge projects, transit projects and intelligent transportation systems.
Website:	<a href="http://www.recovery.gov/q=content/rebuilding-infrastructure">http://www.recovery.gov/q=content/rebuilding-infrastructure</a> <a href="http://www.dot.gov/recovery/">http://www.dot.gov/recovery/</a>
Contact:	Meg Pirkle - 404 – 631 – 1417 - <a href="mailto:mpirkle@dot.ga.gov">mpirkle@dot.ga.gov</a>
<b>Grant:</b>	<b>Transit Capital Assistance</b>
Amount (Federal):	\$8.4 billion was included for transit capital assistance grants.
Amount (Georgia):	\$143,572,747
Type:	Funds are distributed through the existing urban and rural transit formulas - 80% of the capital assistance funds are to be distributed through the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) urbanized formula; 10% through their rural formula; and 10% through their growing states and high density formula.
Administrator:	Federal Transit Administration
Description:	These funds will be used to purchase buses and equipment needed to provide additional public transportation service and to make improvements to intermodal and transit facilities.
Website to find state and district info:	<a href="http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html">http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html</a>
Contact:	Meg Pirkle - 404 – 631 – 1417 - <a href="mailto:mpirkle@dot.ga.gov">mpirkle@dot.ga.gov</a>
<b>Grant:</b>	<b>Fixed Guideway Modernization</b>
Amount:	\$750 million was included for transit capital assistance grants.
Type:	Funds are allocated by a statutory formula to urbanized areas with rail systems that have been in operation for at least seven years.
Administrator:	Federal Transit Administration / U.S. Department of Transportation
Purpose:	These funds will be used for capital projects to modernize or improve existing fixed guideway systems, including purchase and rehabilitation of rolling stock, track, line equipment, structures, signals and communications, power equipment and substations, passenger stations and terminals, security equipment and systems, maintenance facilities and equipment, operational support equipment including computer hardware and software, system extensions, and preventive maintenance.
Website:	<a href="http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3558.html">http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3558.html</a>

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**Grant: Capital Investments Grants (New Starts & Small Starts)**

Amount: \$750 million was included for capital investment grants.

Type: Distributed on a discretionary basis for New Starts and Small Starts projects that are already in construction or are nearly ready to begin construction.

Administrator: Federal Transit Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation

Purpose: For light rail lines, rapid rail (heavy rail), commuter rail, automated fixed guideway system, or bus-way/high occupancy vehicle (HOV) facilities.

Website: [http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants\\_financing\\_3590.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3590.html)

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**Grant: Transit Capital Assistance-Discretionary Grants**

Amount: \$6.9 billion was included for transit capital assistance grants.

Type: Discretionary grants to public transit agencies to improve energy efficiency, and reduce costs and dependence on foreign oil.

Agency: Federal Transit Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation

Website: [http://www.fta.dot.gov/index\\_9118.html](http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html)

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**Grant: National Surface Transportation System - Discretionary Grants**

Amount: \$1.5 billion was included for discretionary grants for the National Surface Transportation System.

Type: Discretionary grants to be awarded to state and local governments or transit agencies on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant impact on the nation, a metropolitan area, or a region. Eligible projects include highway and bridge projects, public transportation projects, passenger and freight rail projects, and port infrastructure investments.

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation

Websites: <http://www.dot.gov/>

[http://www.dot.gov/citizen\\_services/grants\\_loans/](http://www.dot.gov/citizen_services/grants_loans/)

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**Grant: Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail and Intercity Passenger Rail Service**

Amount: \$8 billion was included for Capital Assistance to States and the High Speed Passenger Rail Program.

Type: Discretionary grants for state government for capital improvements and planning activities necessary to support improved or new intercity passenger rail service.

Agency: Federal Railroad Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation

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Website: [www.fra.dot.gov](http://www.fra.dot.gov)  
<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/1954>  
<http://www.grants.gov>

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**Grant: Capital Grants to Amtrak**

Amount: \$1.3 billion included for capital grants to Amtrak for security and non-security improvements  
Type: Grants will be given directly to Amtrak; no more than 60% will be spent in the NE corridor.  
Agency: Federal Railroad Administration  
Purpose: To maintain and improve the national system of intercity passenger rail. In addition to security improvements, repair, rehabilitation, or upgrade of railroad assets or infrastructure, and for capital projects that expand passenger rail capacity including the rehabilitation of rolling stock (locomotives and passenger cars).

Website: [www.fra.dot.gov](http://www.fra.dot.gov)  
<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/30>  
<http://www.amtrack.com> (for jobs and contracting opportunities)

**Grant: Federal Aviation Administration - Competitive Grants for Infrastructure Improvements**

Amount: \$1.1 billion  
Type: Competitive grants  
Agency: Federal Aviation Administration  
Purpose: Grants to airports which are part of the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) for repairs and improving critical infrastructure to improve safety and reduce congestion.

Website: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>

**Grant: Federal Aviation Administration -- Competitive Grants to Improve FAA Power Systems**

Amount: \$200 million  
Type: Competitive grants  
Agency: Federal Aviation Administration  
Purpose: Upgrade the FAA's power system -- \$50 million, modernize aging air traffic control centers -- \$50 million; replace air traffic control centers and TRACONS -- \$80 million, install airport lighting, navigation and landing equipment -- \$20 million.

Website: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>

**Grant: Competitive Grants to Small Domestic Shipyards**

Amount: \$100 million  
Type: Competitive grants  
Agency: Department of Transportation  
Purpose: Grants for investments and improvements.

Website: <http://www.dot.gov/recovery/>

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#### Arts

**Grants:** **National Endowment of the Arts Competitive Grants**  
Agency: National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) - National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities  
Amount: \$30 million  
Type: Competitive Grants (Matching requirement waived )  
Description: Grants to fund arts projects which preserve jobs in the non-profit arts sector threatened by declines in financial support.  
Website: [www.nea.gov](http://www.nea.gov)  
Helpful Link: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/index.html>

#### Food Assistance

**Grant:** **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance**  
Amount (Federal): \$19.9 billion  
Amount (Georgia): \$676,600,000  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Agency: Department of Agriculture; Office of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services  
Purpose: To supplement State's existing food stamp program.  
Description: Funds will temporarily increase benefits provided under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and help cover administrative and management costs.  
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/snap.htm>  
State Contacts: [http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/contact\\_info/hotlines.htm](http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/contact_info/hotlines.htm)

**Grant:** **Senior Nutrition Programs**  
Amount (Federal): \$100 million  
Amount (Georgia): \$2,426,012  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administration on Aging  
Purpose: To provide for an additional amount of funds for "Aging Services Programs."  
Description: Programs that bring seniors together to eat in group settings and deliver nutritional and dietary safe meals to seniors.  
Website: <http://www.aoa.gov/>

**Grant:** **School Lunch Program**  
Amount: \$100 million



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Type: States will receive formula funding and provide competitive grants within the state.  
Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Office of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services  
Purpose: To carry out a grant program for National School Lunch Program equipment assistance.  
Description: Federal school meal program that provides nutritionally balanced low-cost or free lunches to children each school day.  
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/lunch/>

**Grant: Emergency Food Assistance**  
Amount: \$150 million  
Type: States will receive formula funding.  
Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Office of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services  
Description: TEFAP provides USDA commodities to states, who distribute food through local emergency food providers.  
Purpose: To provide for costs associated with the distribution of commodity foods.  
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/programs/tefap/>

**Grant: Supplemental WIC Nutrition Program**  
Amount: \$500 million  
Type: Allocated as the Secretary deems necessary  
Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture; Office of Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services  
Description: WIC provides Federal grants to States for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income women, infants, and children who are found to be at nutritional risk.  
Purpose: To support participation should cost or participation exceed budget estimates  
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/howtoapply/default.htm>

### Department of Treasury

**Grant: Community Development Financial Institutions**  
Amount: \$100 million  
Agency: U.S. Department of the Treasury/Office of Community Development Financial Institutions  
Description: These funds will be used to help spur economic development and low-cost financial services to underserved communities.  
Website: <http://www.cdfifund.gov/recovery/>



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### Telecommunications/Broadband

**Grants:** **Broadband Technology Opportunities Program**

Amount: \$4.7 billion

Agency: National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Description: Grants to provide access to broadband service in underserved areas.

Type: Competitive Grants

Website: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/otiahome/top/grants/grants.htm>

**Grants:** **Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband**

Amount: \$2.5 billion

Agency: USDA: Rural Utility Service

Description: Funding is available through grants, loans and loan guarantees for broadband infrastructure.

Type: Grants and Loans

Website: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/>

**Coupon:** **Digital TV Conversion Coupon Program**

Amount: \$650 million

Agency: Federal Communications Commission

Description: Funds to continue the coupon program to enable American households to convert from analog television transmission to digital transmission.

Type: Coupons to individuals

Website: <http://www.dtv.gov/>